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Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305)  
Food & Drug Administration  
5630 Fishers Lane, Room 1061  
Rockville, MD 20852

Re: Docket Nos. 98N-1230, 96P-0418 and 97P-0197

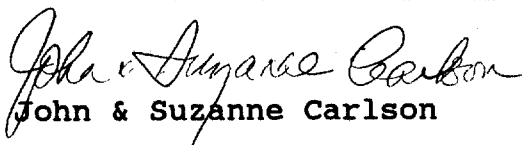
Dear Sir or Madam:

We are writing to protest the bizarre practice of forced molting in the US hen population. Not only is this cruel to these creatures who already suffer enough in the terrible conditions they are raised under, but from what we understand, this molting lowers the hens' immune system so much that they become prone to salmonella infections.

With all the health problems derived from eggs, we believe it is asking for trouble allowing this molting practice to take place and that it should be halted immediately.

You are urgently requested to do your utmost to insure more egg safety.

Sincerely,

  
John & Suzanne Carlson

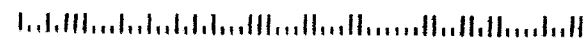
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